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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 26, 2002, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks. A petition for a two (2) month extension of time with the requisite fee is submitted herewith, thereby extending the deadline for this response up to and including Wednesday, February 26, 2003. It is believed that no further fees are required. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Introduction

Claims 1-3 are currently pending in this application.

Amendments

Claims

Please amend claim 1 as set forth below. A version with markings to show changes made to claim 1 is included herewith as Appendix A.

Please rewrite claim 1 to recite the following:

--1. (Amended) An isolated DNA molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.--